



Comprehensive Plan meeting announcement

The following announcement of our public meetings will appear in the next Williamsburg newsletter sent out to all citizens. Please note that our web site on the comprehensive plan is not yet available - it will be when the newsletter goes out.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN PUBLIC FORUMS

The Williamsburg Planning Commission will hold public meetings on the Comprehensive Plan update on Thursday, May 6 at 6:30 p.m., and Wednesday, May 26 at 2:00 p.m., both in the Williamsburg Community Building, 401 North Boundary Street. The meetings will be a "Community Conversation on the Comprehensive Plan," for the primary purpose of obtaining citizen comment. Following a brief welcome from Planning Commission Chairman Paul Freiling, and a short presentation from Planning Director Reed Nester, citizens and Planning Commission members will break into several groups to discuss City issues. The groups will subsequently report back to the entire assembly to conclude the meeting. The forum is expected to last approximately two hours. Written comments will also be accepted from citizens unable to attend the public meetings.

The update of the City's 1998 Comprehensive Plan will be the sixth Comprehensive Plan prepared by the City - the original plan was prepared in 1953. Many important facilities that we take for granted today were first recommended in our Comprehensive Plans: the Williamsburg Library and City Square, the Municipal Center complex, Waller Mill Park and College Landing Park, Route 132 and Route 199, and extensive underground utilities. Past plans have also addressed issues such as residential density, design review districts, sign regulations, economic development and neighborhood preservation.

For more information on the Comprehensive Plan update, please contact the Williamsburg Planning Department at 220-6130, or click on the Comprehensive Plan Update section of the City's web site (www.williamsburgva.gov).